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SUBJ: TURKISH LETTER TO ICJ REGARDING JURISDICTION IN AEGEAN CASE

REF: (A) ANKARA 3192 (B) ATHENS 3467 (NOTAL)

1. MFA OFFICIAL DEALING WITH AEGEAN AFFAIRS TOLD EMBOFF
APRIL 26 THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO SUPPLY EMBASSY COPY OF GOT'S
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APRIL 24 LETTER TO INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE (ICJ) BUT
DISCUSSED CONTENTS AT LENGTH ALONG LINES OF REF (A).
OFFICIAL EXPLAINED THAT TURKEY CHOSE TO SEND LETTER RATHER
THAN COUNTERMEMORIAL BECAUSE IT WAS FELT THAT COUNTERMEMORIAL
WOULD CONSTITUTE TACIT ACCEPTANCE OF ICJ JURISDICTION, WHICH
IS THE POINT CURRENTLY BEING CONSIDERED BY THE COURT. MFA
HAS, HOWEVER, PREPARED GOT'S FORMAL "VIEWS" (A PRESENTATION

MIDWAY BETWEEN A LETTER AND A MEMORIAL IN ITS LEGAL FORMALITY), AND IS STILL CONSIDERING WHETHER OR NOT TO PRESENT THEM. IF TURKISH "VIEWS" ARE PRESENTED, IT WOULD PROBABLY BE DONE IN MAY. "VIEWS" WOULD INCLUDE SPECIFIC REBUTTAL OF LEGAL POINTS RAISED IN GREEK MEMORIAL.

2. MFA OFFICIAL REITERATED OFFICIAL TURKISH VIEW THAT ONLY WAY TO SOLVE AEGEAN PROBLEM IS THROUGH MEANINGFUL NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES. HE REPEATED THAT GOT WAS DISAPPOINTED BY GREEK CANCELLATION OF SCHEDULED APRIL 14-16 TALKS, SEES NO OBSTACLE TO RESCHEDULING THEM, AND HOPES THAT GREEKS WILL AGREE TO HOLDING THEM IN THE NEAR FUTURE.
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